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TWO MAYORS GIVE THEIR IDEAS ON MODEL CHARTERS

No. 5 in Star-Bulletin Series
Brings Letters From North
Carolina and Massachusetts

COMMISSION FORM IS FAVORED IN EACH CASE

Not So Sure About City Man-
ager—Lay Emphasis on Nec-
essity for Electing Honest,
Conscientious Men to Office

The Star-Bulletin publishes below No. 5 in the series of letters from mainland mayors and other city officials upon model city charters. The letters are the result of a country-wide inquiry directed by the Star-Bulletin, to secure the experiences of mainland cities as suggestions for the charter revision convention, which meets next month to revise Honolulu's charter.

The letters previously published have been:

- No. 1. From Mayor Albee of Portland, Oregon.
- No. 2. From Mayor Fassett of Spokane, Wash.
- No. 3. From Mayor Fawcett of Tacoma, Wash.
- No. 4. From Mayor James R. Hanna of Des Moines, Iowa.

No. 5 in the series is composed of the letters of Mayor O. B. Eaton of Winston-Salem, N. C., and Mayor George H. Newhall of Lynn, Mass. Both favor the commission plan of government, though Mayor Newhall does not favor the city manager plan. Their letters follow:

Office of Mayor,
"Winston-Salem, N. C.,
"August 5, 1915."

"Dear Sir: Your letter received, in reference to municipal form of government."

"This city has the aldermanic system. I give my entire time to city affairs and have the general supervision of all departments. The City Manager also would work well with the right man, just as it does in a large business establishment, but few of the cities in this country are willing to cede more than a small amount of power, and when it is submitted to a popular vote, he would be defeated every time. I think the ideal form of city government is the commission plan, divided up as follows:

- "Commissioner Audit and Finance"
- "Commissioner Public Works"
- "Commissioner Public Safety"

"With the right kind of men giving their entire time in response to the wishes of the people, is the most economical and most satisfactory form of city government. However, all go back to the commission at least no plan will be successful without competent and experienced men. The city government comes in the closest and most intimate relations with the family every day. It requires, therefore, honest, courageous and level-headed men to handle it properly, but with the plan suggested and the right kind of men secured will give the greatest amount of efficiency at the least possible cost."

"Yours truly,
"O. B. EATON,
"Mayor."

From a Massachusetts Mayor.
"City of Lynn, Massachusetts.
"July 31, 1915."

"Dear Sir: Your letter received. I reply to you that I believe in the initiative and referendum and recall, but I should not want the percentage of voters to have the above too easy. I would want a good percentage in favor."

"The city manager plan I do not believe in. While it might work in some communities, I do not think it would in others."

"I believe in the commission form of government, and I have had experience in both kinds of governments. In the commission form of government you can do better work, more of it, and in a shorter time than you can under the old form. You must have, however, honest, conscientious and capable men in any city government and if there is no way of getting incompetent men out of office it is time to change your charter, no matter what it might be. I find that commission form of government is more efficient in the work of running the city. While it may cost more money yet you are getting more work out of the money appropriated for the reason, if for no other, and that is that you can formulate a system to be done under the old form your work for years to come that where the members are changing from year to year. I am sending you a copy of our charter."

"Trusting that this will help you, remain,
"GEO. H. NEWHALL,
"Mayor."

A description of Tiflis says that 70 languages are spoken there. The many races mingle, but show no signs of combining. The czar of Russia is said to refer to this place as a "pearl of the Russian crown."

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GRAND JURY TO PROBE WRECKING OF CITY'S AUTO

Judge Ashford Instructs That
City Employee Took Car, Got
Drunk and Ditched Machine

SAYS JOYRIDERS WERE REAL TRAFFIC MENACE

Road Overseer Clark's Motor,
Missing Since Sunday, Re-
turned to City Garage

In an informal address to the members of the territorial grand jury this afternoon Circuit Judge Ashford urged that the body make an investigation of the actions of a certain well-known city employee, who, last Sunday, in company with several other persons also believed to be government employees, took an automobile belonging to the city and county and went "joy-riding" to Koolau and vicinity, Windward Oahu.

As a conclusion to the affair, Judge Ashford said he had learned from alleged witnesses that the party succeeded in getting gloriously drunk and then demolished the car, leaving it beside the road about one-half mile this side of the Kaneohe court house. "Although I know the names of these men, I will not mention them at this time," Judge Ashford added. "This is for the reason that it might prove embarrassing to these persons should the testimony of the alleged witnesses prove groundless."

According to Judge Ashford, the members of the party visited at Koolau, Heala and Kaneohe. The judge said that either before they started, or after they had reached the windward side, they secured some whiskey and all got drunk that, according to one witness, they were a menace to travelers on the road.

They wound up by wrecking the automobile. "I saw the automobile resting in the ditch yesterday," Judge Ashford went on. "It was propped up with boxes. The front axle, radiator and many other parts of the mechanism had been removed. I visited the place again today and the remnants of the machine had disappeared."

Judge Ashford declared that it has long been a "scandal" for public officials to use public automobiles for their "joy-rides." It not only incurs an expense for gasoline and oil, but the men in the machine often become much less careful as drivers. "The repair bills for public machines, I have heard, are stupendous," he continued. "I understand that it cost about \$1400 a quarter to keep former Mayor Fern's car in repairs."

"Gentlemen, you are the grand inquest of the county," the judge continued, "and in reference to such propositions as this you are aptly called into action."

Although Circuit Judge Ashford declined to make any names public, it was rumored that Road Overseer Charles H. Clark was the man who drove the machine.

This was given color at the city and county road office today. A representative of the Star-Bulletin was told that on Sunday morning Clark left Honolulu in a Ford machine belonging to the city and county. He was on a tour of inspection over the belt road, which inspection is made each Sunday. It was stated that at least two persons were in the machine besides Clark when it left Honolulu.

According to an employee of the road office, Clarke reported having made the inspection and having started to return to Honolulu via the Pal. After he had gotten about a half mile beyond the Kaneohe court house, says his report, something went wrong in the machine.

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Murderer May Have Taken Own Life or Fled Away

(Special by Mutual Wireless)
HILO, Hawaii, Aug. 26.—The broken rifle and discarded clothing of Francisco Moliers, the Spanish murderer who has terrorized the Kau district for nearly a fortnight, were found in the bush two miles from Kamilo, Kau, today. The police are at sea, not knowing whether to think that Moliers has committed suicide, or whether he has obtained a change of clothes and is planning an attempt to leave the island. On the night of August 15 Moliers, after a drunken fight, killed a Portuguese named Pedro. He then took to the cane fields, after threatening death to any who might pursue him. He was armed with the rifle found today and was known to have had 31 cartridges in his possession at the time of his flight. The Kau district has been terrorized and the police have kept up a constant search for the fugitive.

TWO MEN MAY DIE AS RESULT OF OIL TANK EXPLOSION

Three Badly Injured This Morn-
ing in Mysterious Accident
at Standard Oil Plant

TWO VICTIMS BLOWN 125 FEET THROUGH THE AIR

Carl Errich, Ralph Harrub and
Anton Schroder Rushed to
Queen's Hospital

Three men, two of whom may not recover, were seriously injured shortly before 11 o'clock this morning as the result of an explosion and fire in the distillate tank in Iwilei, owned by the Standard Oil Company. The management of the company has not yet ascertained the cause of the accident.

The persons injured were: Carl Errich, superintendent of the yards who resides at the Seaside hotel. Badly burned about the face and shoulders and may live.

Ralph Harrub, an employee of the Hawaiian Electric Company, residing at 1833 Makiki street. Badly burned about the body and may live. Anton Schroder, a foreman of the Standard Oil Company, residing at Oahu Place. Badly burned and several bones broken. Will live.

The management of the Standard Oil Company is investigating the cause of the accident this afternoon. According to information given out by the manager shortly after the affair occurred the three men who were injured were working on top of the tank. Shortly before 11 o'clock the tank blew up and immediately caught fire.

It is reported that Schroder jumped off the tank at the time the explosion occurred. Before the two other men could get off the tank they were badly burned for the tank was full of oil which flamed up at once.

According to an unconfirmed report from the Queen's hospital, where the injured men were taken, the explosion was caused by an electric spark. This report, however, is not confirmed by the management of the company. Cause a Mystery.

The manager of the company informed the Star-Bulletin that he has no idea what caused the explosion and succeeding fire. None of the employees of the company, with the exception, perhaps, of the injured men, know the cause, he added. This will be ascertained only after the investigation that is being conducted this afternoon.

The fire department made a quick run to the scene of the fire and extinguished it in a short time. According to the manager of the company, the department was aided by a fire-fighting apparatus recently installed by the company. The three injured men were rushed to the Queen's hospital in the police ambulance and in automobiles, where they are now being attended by Dr. George F. Straub.

The police report of the accident and fire does not contain any clue as to the cause of the affair, or what the men were doing on top of the oil tank. The manager of the company also says that he does not know what they were doing there. What the nature of the work was that Harrub was doing on the tank could not be learned from the Hawaiian Electric Company. The company stated that it had not received the complete facts regarding the incident but that it would make an investigation when these were forthcoming.

Force of Explosion Great.
When Motorcycle Policemen Chilton and Sizemore arrived on the scene they found Errich and Harrub about 125 feet in a direct line away from the tank. As the tank is about 50 or 60 feet high, some idea of the force of the explosion can be thus determined. Chilton and Sizemore reported

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CHICAGO TEAM IS NOW AT SEA ON MONGOLIA

(Hawaii Ship by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 26.—Fourteen members of the baseball team from the University of Chicago left yesterday on the Mongolia for Honolulu and the Orient. The manager of the team stated that he would play a series of games in Honolulu during the week's stopover.

BASEBALL RESULTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
At Cleveland—New York 6, Cleveland 5.
At Detroit—Detroit 7, Boston 6.
At Chicago—Washington 2, Chicago 1.
At St. Louis—St. Louis 10, Philadelphia 1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
At Brooklyn—Brooklyn 3, St. Louis 1.
At New York—Pittsburg 2, New York 1.
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 4, Cincinnati 1.
At Boston—Boston 4, Chicago 4.

SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—Sugar: 96 degrees test, 4.71 cents. Previous quotation, 4.56 cents.

BRITAIN SOON TO BEGIN CONSCRIPTION IS HINT; GERMANY WOULD PLACATE U. S.

CUBA VISITED BY STORM AND MANY KILLED

Recent Hurricane Moving Now
to West Coast; California
Feeling It

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 27.—A heavy storm is raging not far away and east of Yuma, where it is particularly severe. Wires are down and in many places there roofs have been blown off.

TAMPA, Fla., Aug. 27.—News has been received here that 14 people were killed in the severe storm in San Antonio, Cuba. The wireless station was much damaged by the recent hurricane.

FERRY ACCIDENT LUCKILY LIGHT; INVESTIGATING

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 26.—Owing to a mistake in signals, the ferry boat Santa Clara today banged hard against its slip, sending hundreds sprawling. There were many minor injuries. An investigation is being made.

CARRANZA GENERAL WOULD BLOCK VILLA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
DOUGLAS, Ariz., August 26.—Gen. Calles, one of the Carranza military leaders, is moving 4000 men to Martinez, near Nogales. It is believed he is undertaking a coup against Gen. Villa.

CRUISER TENNESSEE ON ITS WAY TO HAITI

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., August 26.—The cruiser Tennessee with 350 marines sailed today and will probably go to Haiti. It may stop at Guantanamo.

JAPANESE WRESTLERS CALL ON OFFICIALS

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—The Japanese wrestlers who are now in the city called upon Mayor James Rolph, Charles C. Moore, president of the Pan-Pacific exposition, and other officials today. An exhibition wrestling match of four days has been arranged to begin tomorrow.

PARADE ON JAPANESE DAY TO HAVE 200 AUTOS

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—Two hundred automobiles will form a part of the great procession which is to cross the Panama-Pacific exposition grounds on Japanese Day, August 31. Prizes and cups worth \$2000 have been offered by the exposition officials. A great crowd is expected to take part in the events.

'FRISCO HEARS ASANO CLOSES PERSIA DEAL

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—President Asano of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, who is in New York City, today pur-

Japan to Rush Munitions to Allies

TOKIO, Japan, August 26.—Japan's plan for immediate active assistance to the Allies in prosecuting the European war is to establish special munition factories and rush the output of guns and ammunition at an enormous rate. The details of the plan are being discussed by the ambassadors of the Entente Powers and Premier Okuma.

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji.)

TOKIO, August 26.—Following his conferences with Count Okuma and Lieut.-gen. Oka, Emperor Yoshihito has ordered an enlargement of the government arsenal in order to supply Russia with arms and ammunition. It was learned definitely today that the conferences of the last few days have been over requests received from Russia for munitions, and that Count Okuma has urged the extension of the arsenal.

Unrest in India; British on Alert

TOKIO, Japan, August 26.—American travelers arriving here from India report that there is much unrest among the northern tribesmen, but it is believed that the British military organization will be able to cope with the situation.

German Wounded Brought From Riga

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, August 26.—Transports carrying wounded Germans have arrived at German ports from Riga.

(Additional Telegraph Despatches on Page 9)

RUSSIAN MINISTER OF FINANCES IN PROBLEM



M. Berk, the Russian minister of finances, is declared by the Germans to be hard put to it in the matter of money to keep the war going. A recent report from German sources claimed that Russia is desperately trying to conceal her bankruptcy.

COLE BLEASE IN FAVOR OF LYNCH LAW SOMETIMES

South Carolina's Discredited
Ex-Governor Aims His Views
While in Boston

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
BOSTON, Mass., August 26.—Ex-Governor Blease of South Carolina speaking at the governors' conference today said: "Lynching is sometimes a protection to civilization." He condemned the use of "third degree" methods in police and prosecution work and argued for a liberal parole system.

ORIENTAL SAILINGS FROM SEATTLE ARE FILLED UP

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
SEATTLE, Washington, August 26.—Oriental sailings are all booked full up to December 1, the traffic being very heavy. The steamer Sado Maru today brought a \$4,000,000 cargo, of which an item was \$500,000 in gold bullion.

GUTHRIE ESCORTED TO DOCK BY LARGE CROWD

(Hawaii Ship by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 26.—A large crowd of people, including committees from the Panama-Pacific Exposition and Japanese Consul Numa, accompanied Ambassador G. W. Guthrie to the steamship Mongolia on which boat he sailed yesterday for Tokyo, by way of Honolulu.

chased the steamship Persia of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at a price of approximately \$200,000.

NEW SUBMARINE POLICY WILL BE ANNOUNCED SOON; TEUTONS STORM STRONG BREST LITOVSK

RUSSIANS EVACUATE KEY TO SECOND DEFENSE LINE IN
FACE OF FURIOUS ASSAULTS—SECRETARY OF WAR
GARRISON DISAPPROVES ROOSEVELT'S SPEAKING AT
ARMY TRAINING CAMPS—JAPAN WILL PROVIDE HUGE
SUPPLY OF MUNITIONS FOR HER ALLIES IN EUROPE

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)

LONDON, England, Aug. 26.—Conscription as a means of raising more troops for the British army is talked of seriously by cabinet members now. Lord Selborne, the new president of the board of agriculture in the coalition ministry, in an address to farm-owners today foreshadowed something in the nature of conscription as an early probability.

"More men must join the army, voluntarily or by compulsion," he declared, pointing out that the enlistments are not mounting with the required speed. "We will try to leave the farmers their semi-skilled help."

"The Russian reverses have become a strain on the Allies which we must meet by sending more men into the field. The British navy controls the submarine menace."

BERLIN, Germany, August 26.—As a result of developments of the last few days, the Associated Press is in a position to state with authority that Germany does not consider the sinking of the White Star liner as a source of serious discord with the United States.

Germany is confident that when the United States learns all the facts regarding the sinking of the liner and receives the German statement, the issue will not be regarded as conducive to a breach. It is learned that before the sinking of the liner Germany had adopted a policy designed to settle the submarine warfare problem as it affects the United States. This policy, it is understood, will be made public in connection with the German statement regarding the "Arabic."

Germany's highest leaders believe that the issues arising from the submarine campaign will be settled upon a basis of mutual understanding.

Germany Reiterates Did Not Intend to Kill Americans on the Arabic

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)
WASHINGTON, D. C., August 26.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, and Secretary of State Lansing, conferred today. It is understood that during the conference the ambassador reiterated the declaration that Germany did not intend to take any American lives in the sinking of the Arabic.

Germans Storm Brest Litovsk And Take it; Russians Evacuate

LONDON, England, Aug. 26.—East of Kovel the Austrian cavalry has succeeded in dividing the Russian forces.

BERLIN, Germany, August 26.—The Russian fortress of Brest Litovsk has been captured by the Germans. The Russian garrison evacuated the fortress while the invading army was carrying out a series of fierce assaults for which the way had been prepared by an artillery attack.

The following cablegram from official German sources was received this morning:
"German Army headquarters report, August 26:—The Russian fortress of Brest Litovsk was taken by German and Austro-Hungarian troops last night. They stormed the works on the west northwest front and entered the center of the fortress, whereupon the enemy gave up the stronghold."

Garrison Rebukes Gen. Wood For Allowing Teddy to Speak

NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 26.—Col. Roosevelt telegraphed to Gen. Wood today upon hearing of Secretary Garrison's action. Roosevelt in his telegram assumes responsibility for the speech. He thinks that Garrison had no right to criticize Wood.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 26.—Secretary of War Garrison today telegraphed to Maj.-gen. Wood in New York, deprecating the fact that Ex-President Roosevelt had been allowed to speak at the Plattsburg civilian training camp yesterday. He also gave emphatic orders that there should be no other similar speeches at any of the camps which are under the control or direction of the war department.

The secretary's rebuke is the result of Roosevelt's speech in which he criticized in stinging terms the present administration for what he called "tame submission" to foreign outrage.

Allies Shower Shells on Gun Plant

LONDON, Eng., August 26.—An air raid in force has been made by the Allies on a German arms factory at Sarrelouis. Sixty-two aviators flew over the munition plant and dropped 150 shells on it.

Vlieland Sees Another Zeppelin

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, August 26.—Another Zeppelin was